

OCWP Technical Studies: 2010 Progress and a Look Ahead to 2011

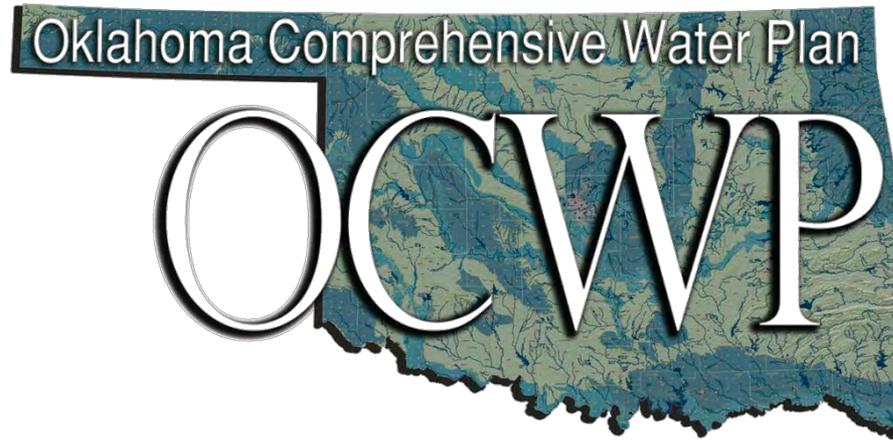
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- **Watershed Planning Regional Reports**
- **Additional Work In Progress**

Technical Studies in 4 Major Phases

2007 - 2009

- Foundational elements
 - *Demands, supply availability, & shortages*

2009 - 2010

- Analysis
 - *Water allocation modeling*
 - *What-if analyses – supply/demand uncertainties*
 - *Management & administration*

2011

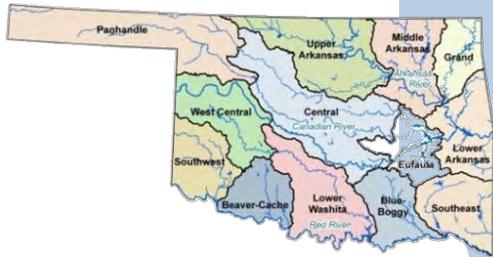
- Supply Planning
 - *Regional needs and potential solutions*
 - *Watershed Planning Region Reports*
 - *Detailed provider-level assessments*

- Documentation

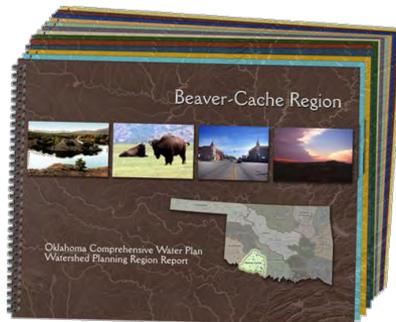
Common Themes



New model for local-state-federal partnerships



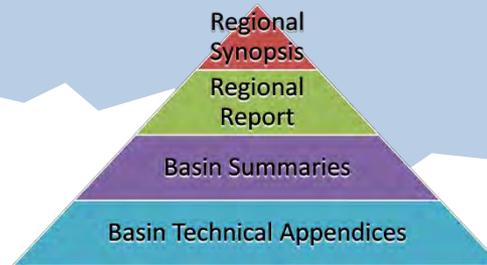
Technical information in multiple levels of detail



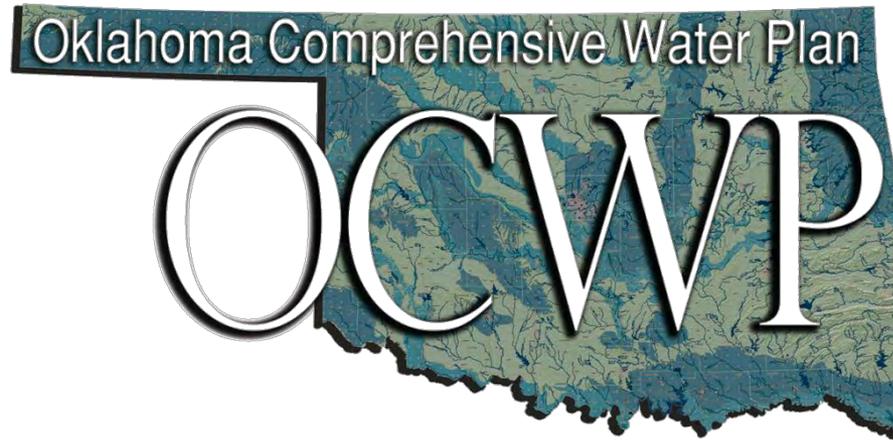
Oklahoma Comprehensive Water Plan

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Watershed and regional approach



Information to support informed decision-making, policies, and local water planning



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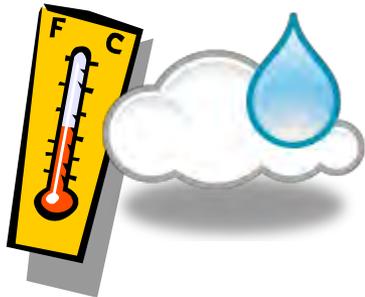
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Tools Developed for the OCWP Update

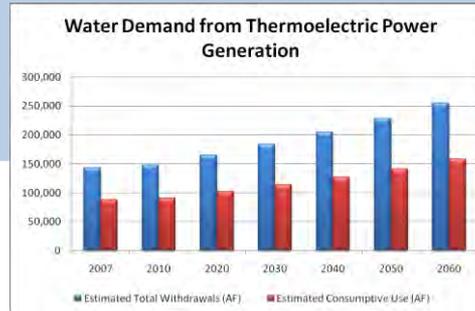
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Supply/Demand Gap Tool



Climate Demand Model



Demand Projection Model

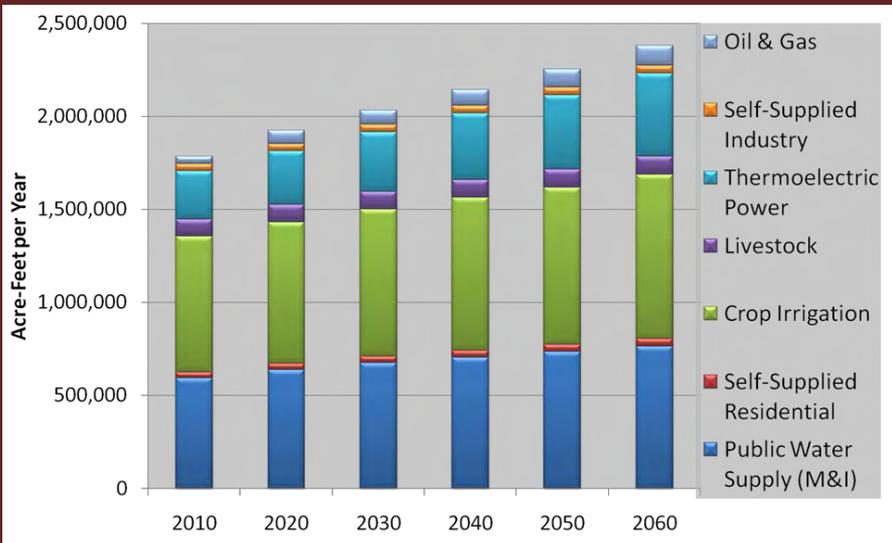


Reservoir Yield Model

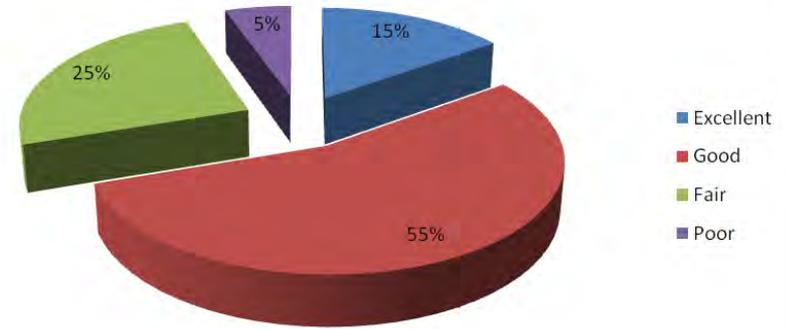


Water Allocation Models

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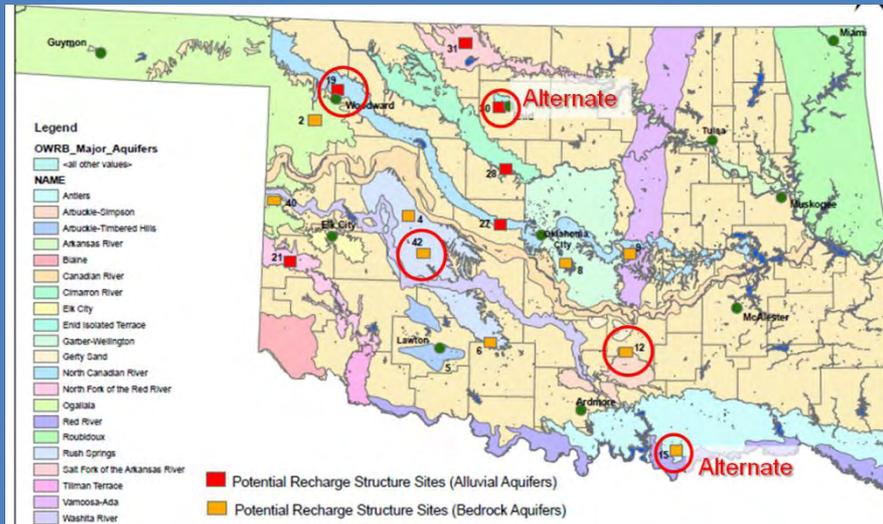
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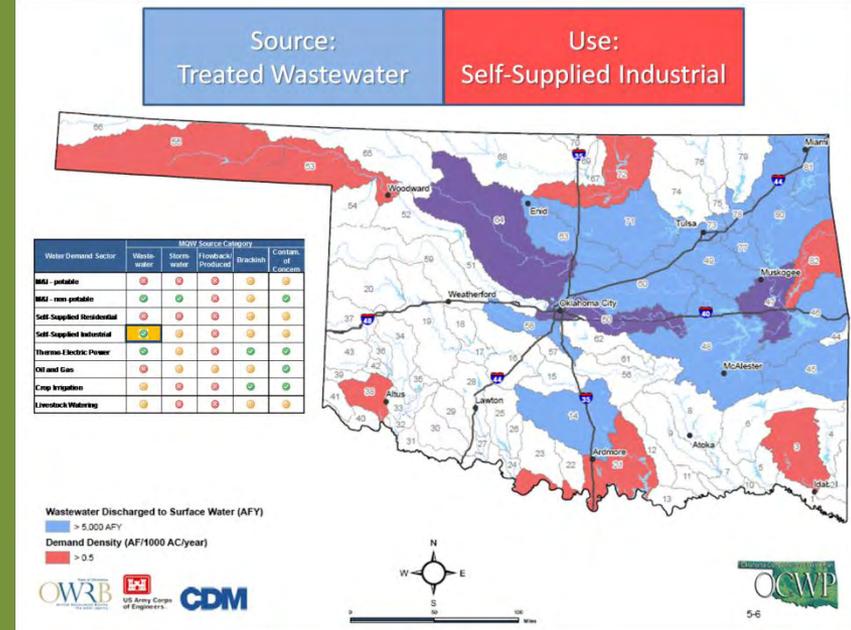
Self-Assessment of Distribution System

**Provider Survey
Summary Report**
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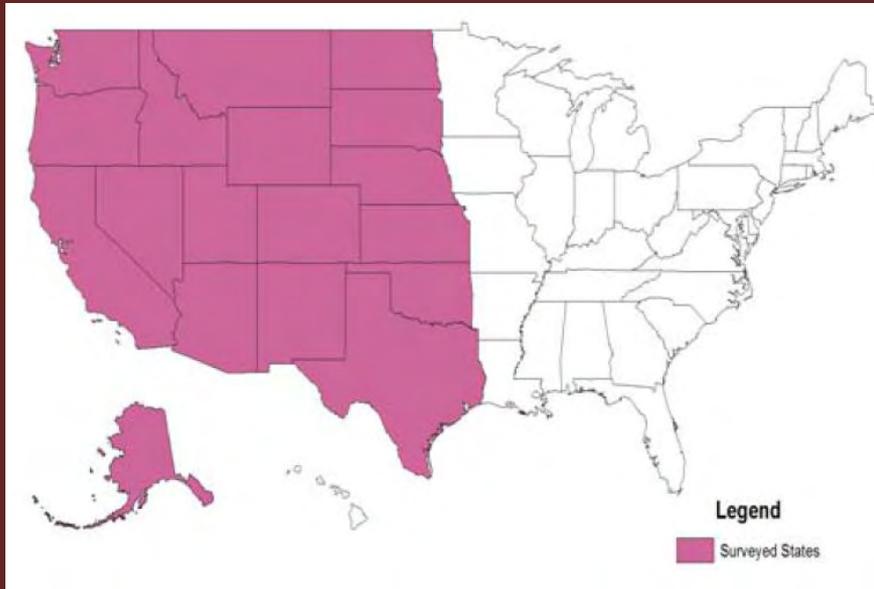


**Aquifer Recharge
 Work Group**
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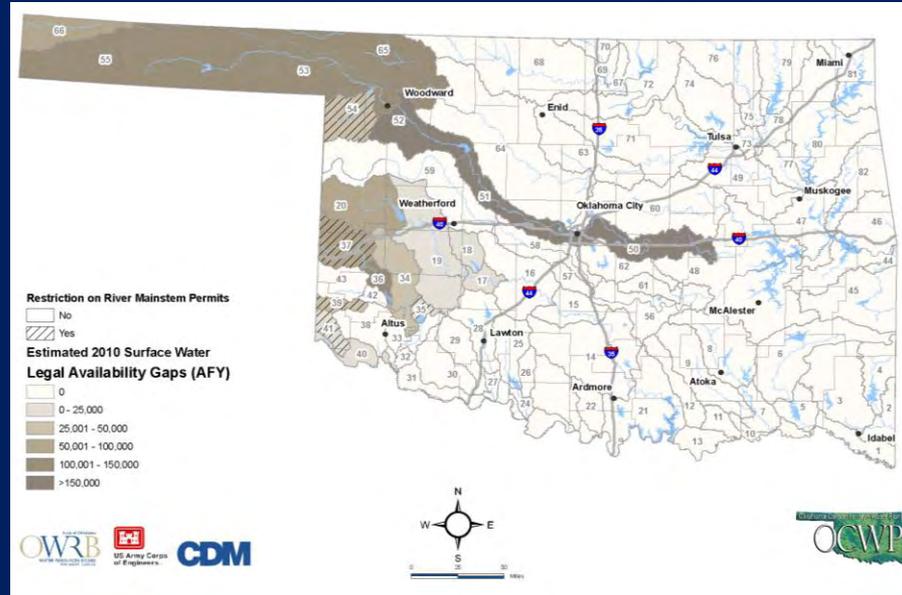


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 Work Group**
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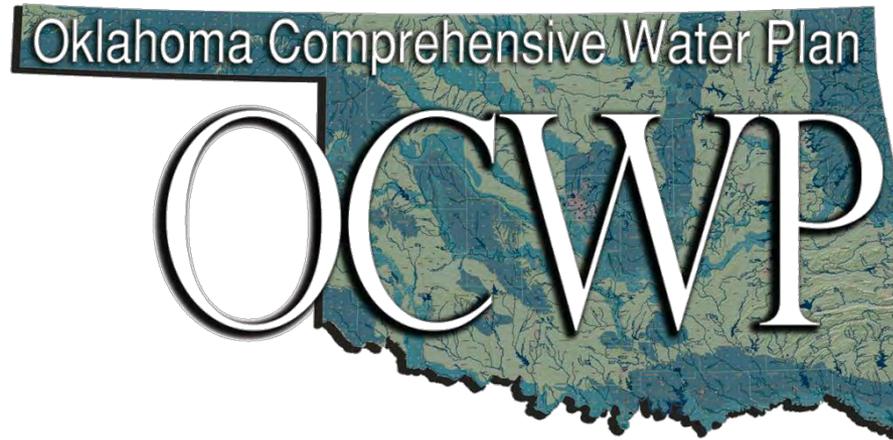
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**Instream Flows in
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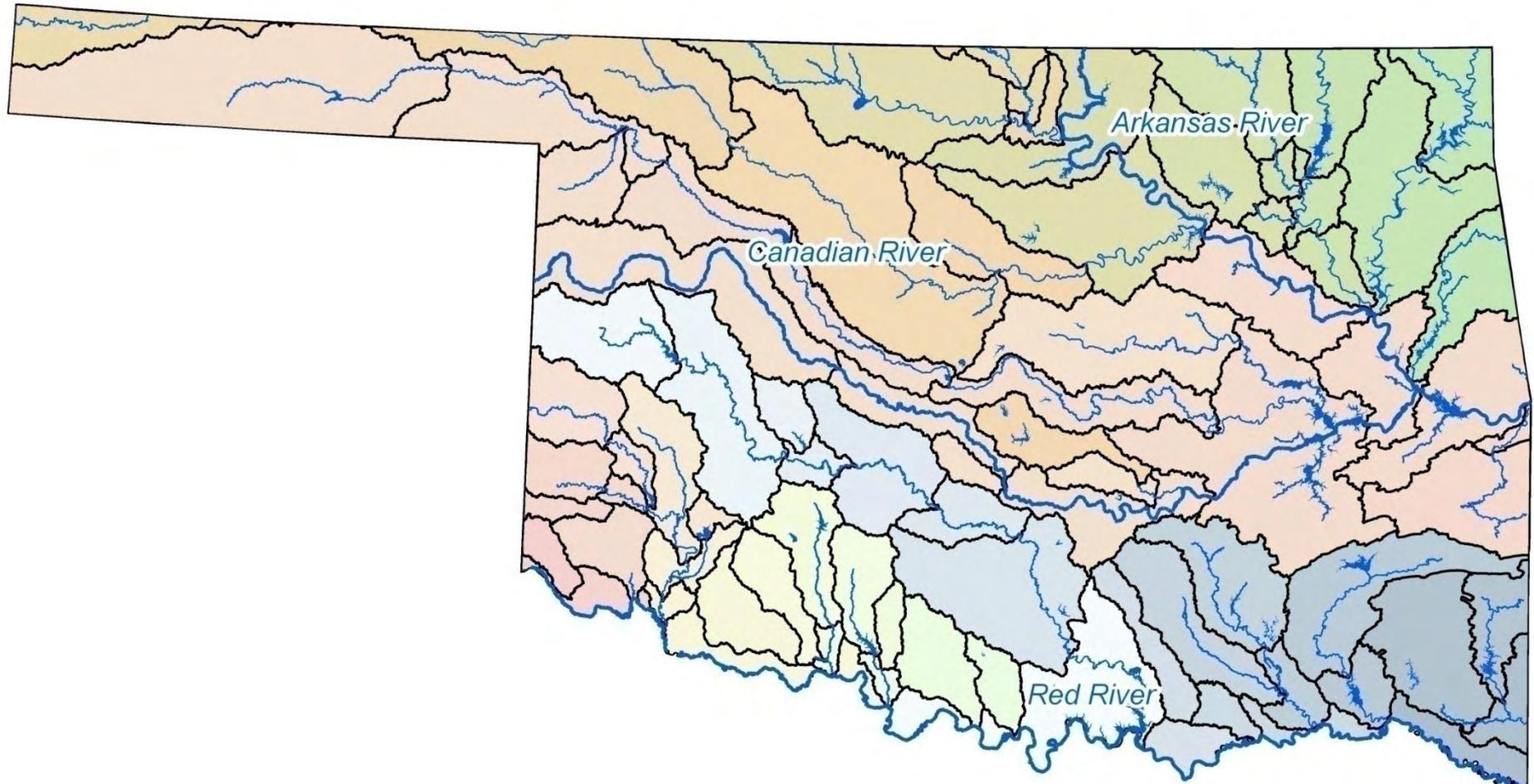
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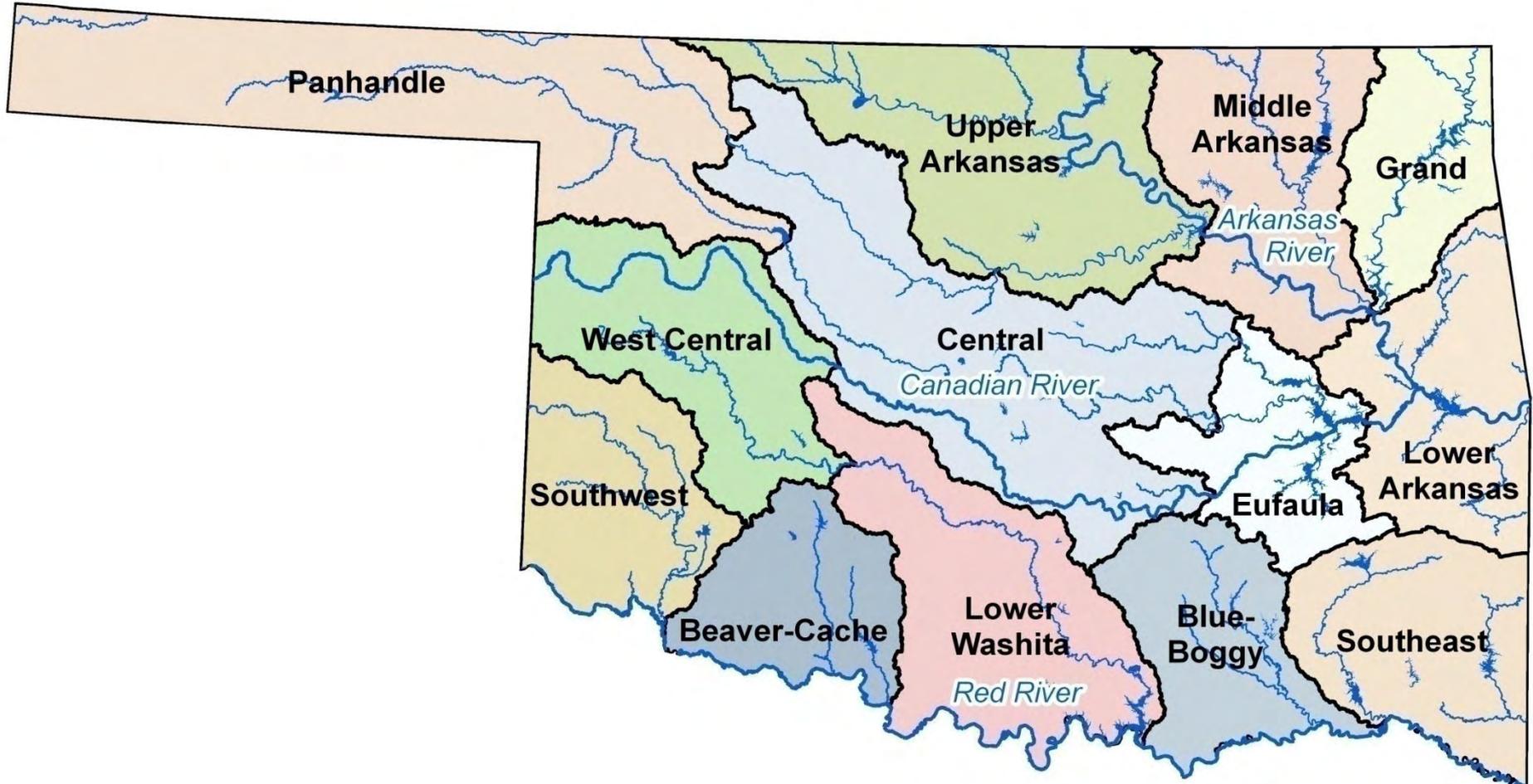
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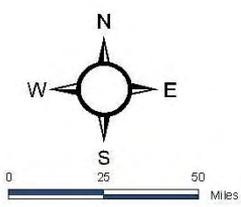
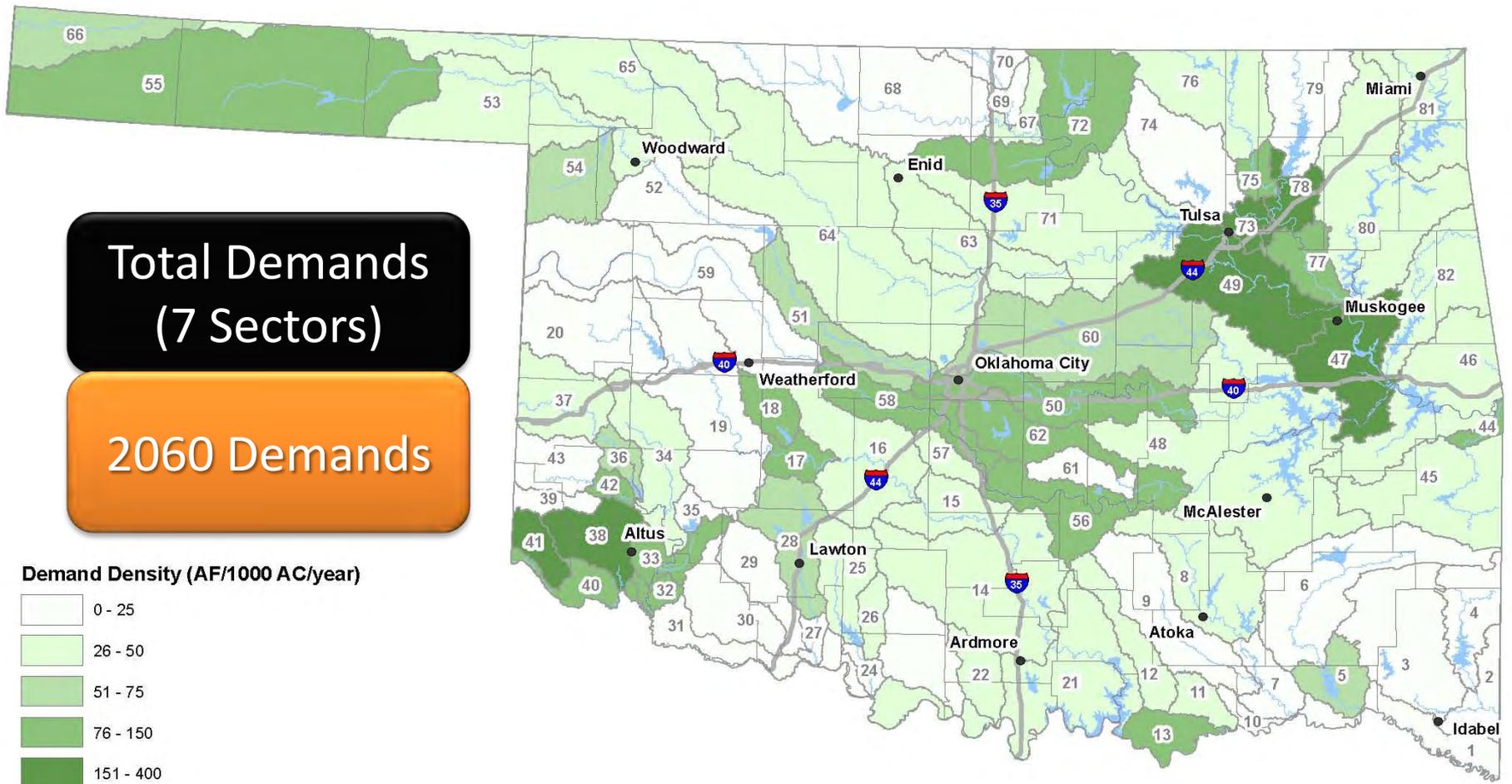
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82 Basins for Detailed OCWP Analyses



Aggregated into 13 Watersheds for Regional Supply Planning





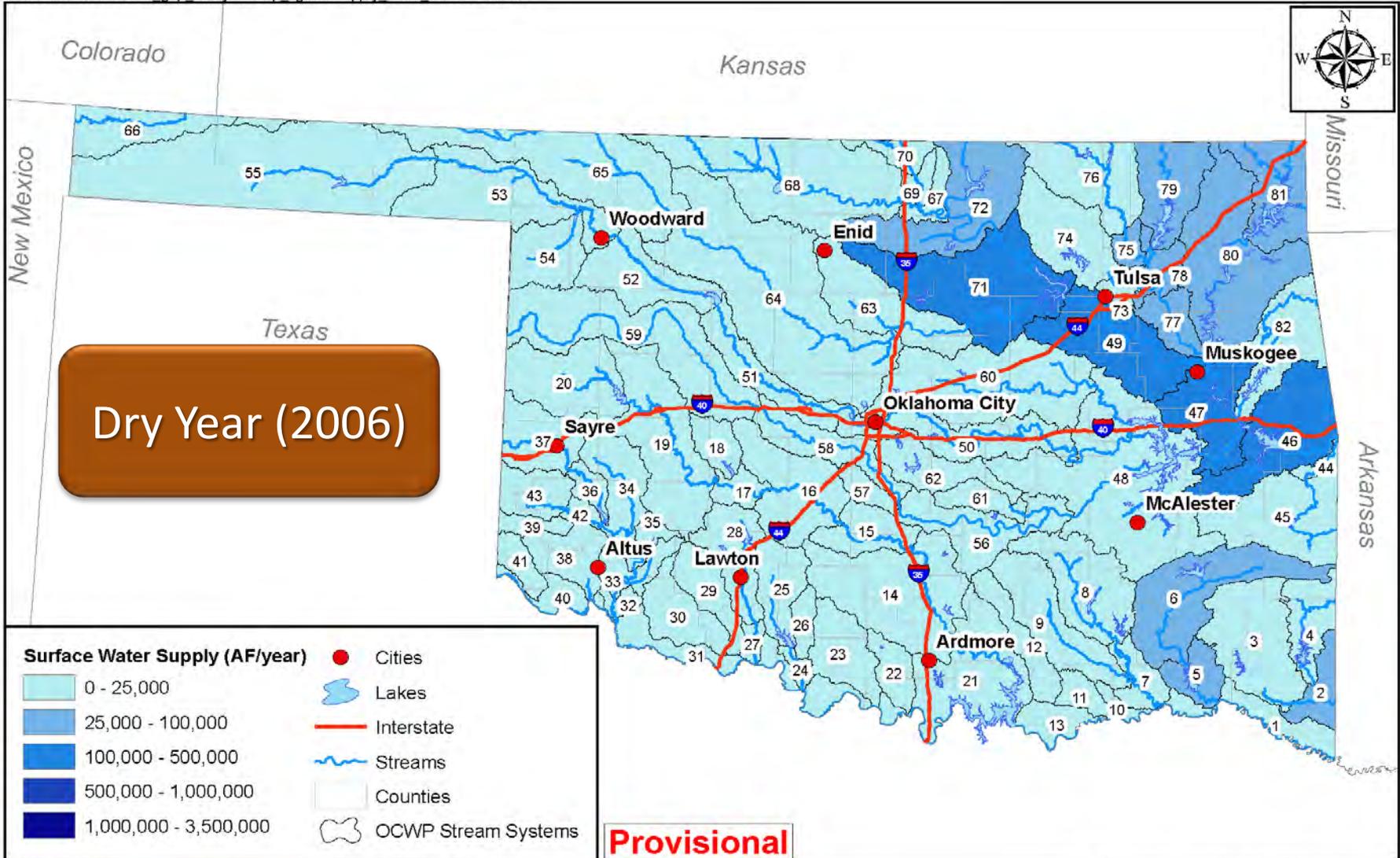
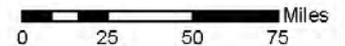
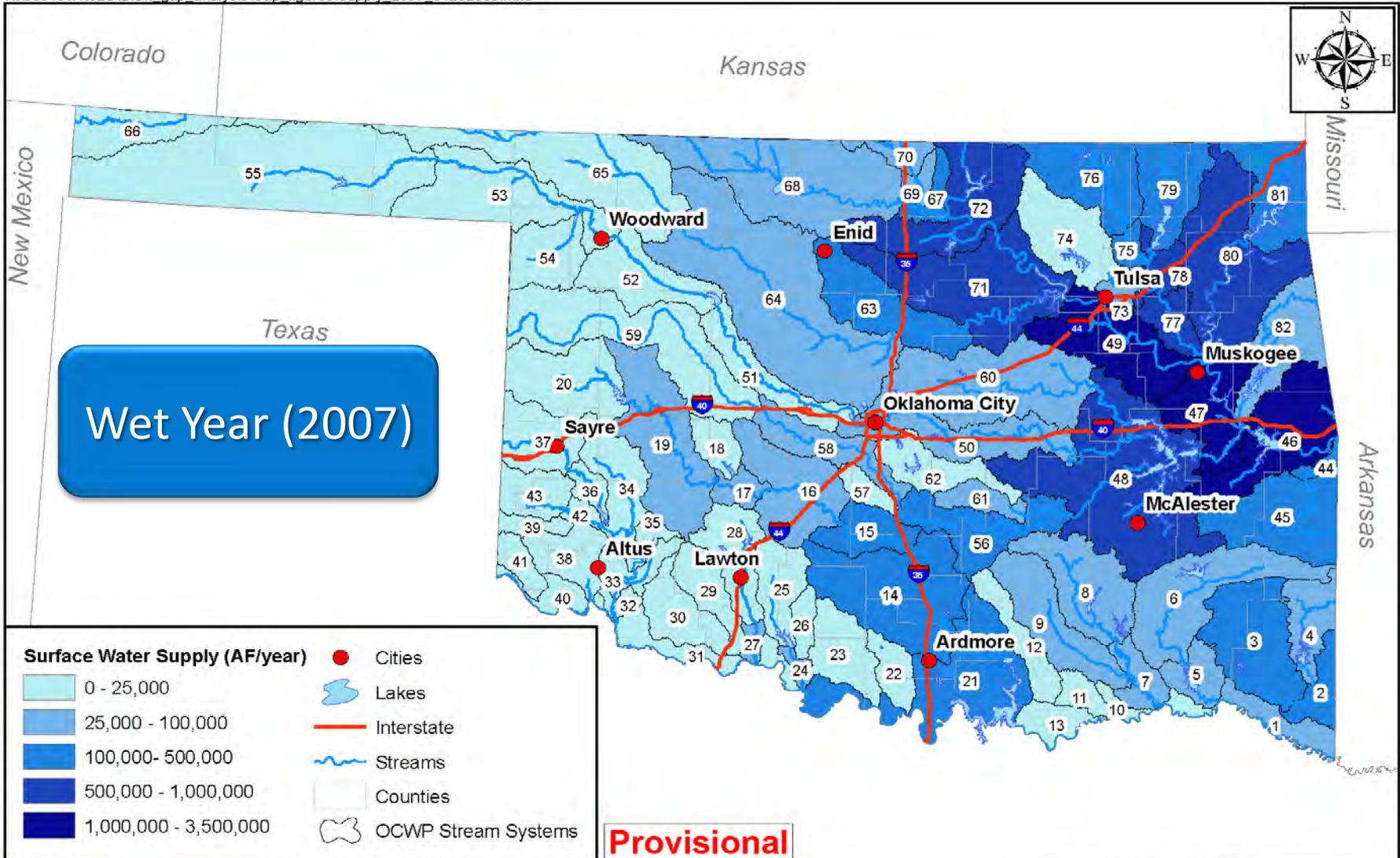


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Surface Water Supplies
for Water Year 2006

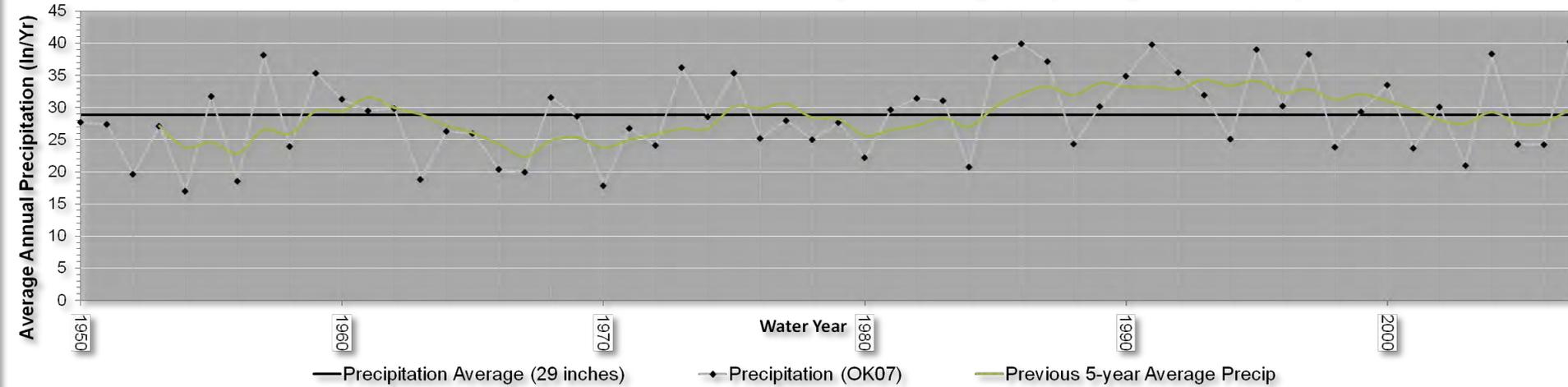
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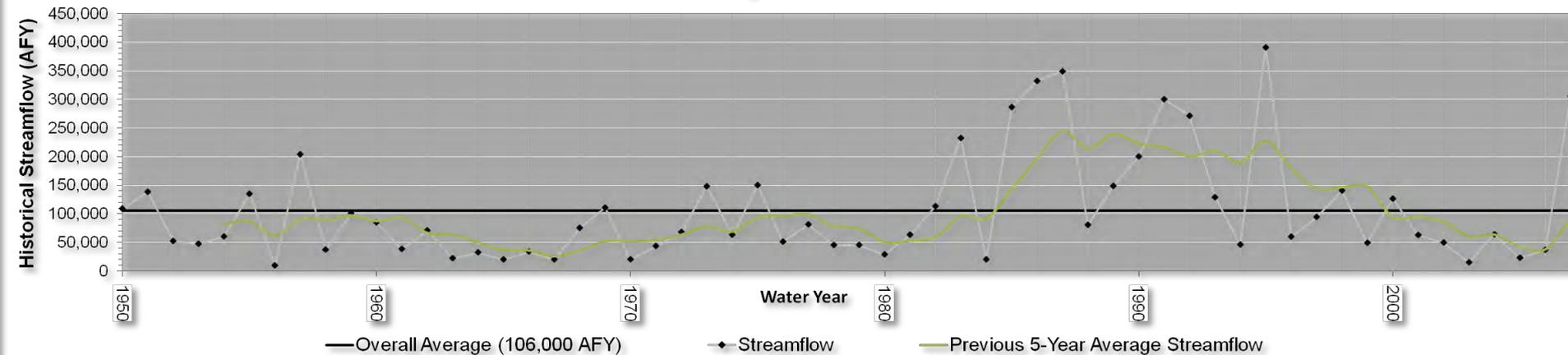


58 years of Precipitation & Flow Record for 82 Basins

Basin 31 - Historical Precipitation With Previous 5-year Average Depicting Wet and Dry Periods



Basin 31 - Historical Flow at the Basin Outlet with Previous 5-year Average Depicting Wet and Dry Periods



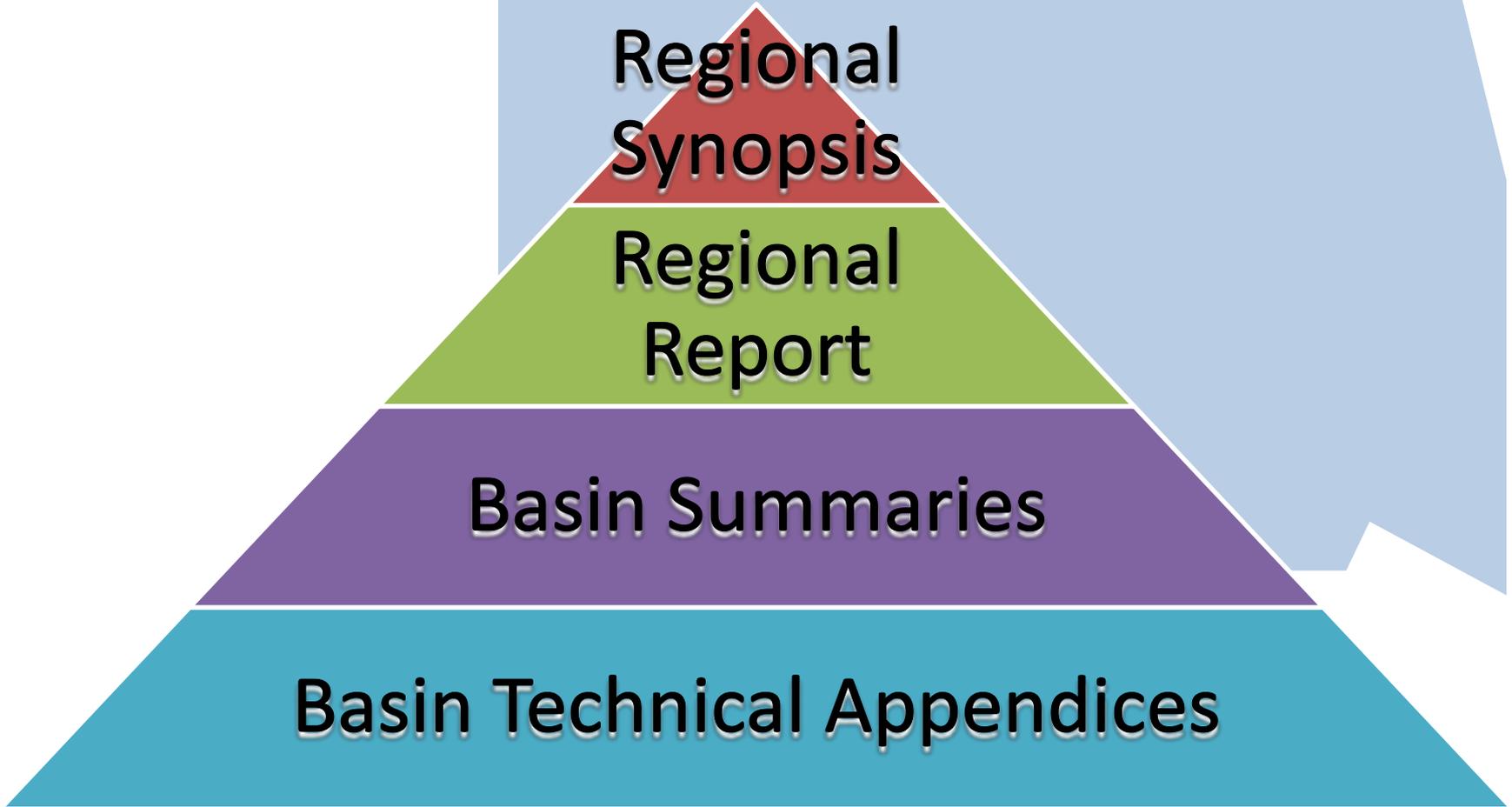
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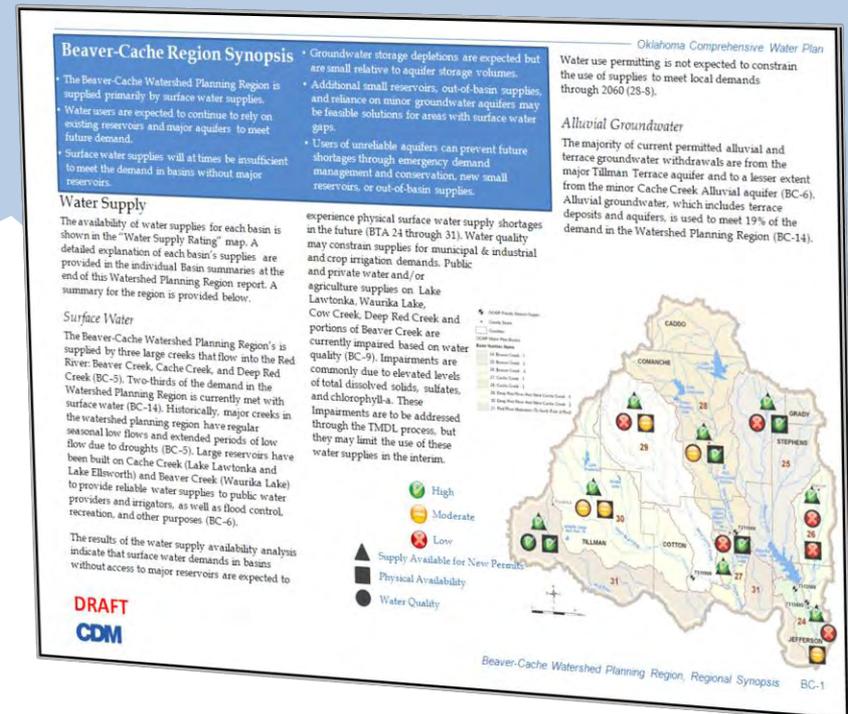
Basin Technical Appendices



13 Regions

- Physical, Permit, Water Quality summary for each basin in region

- Summary of supply challenges
- Regional water supply and demand summary
- Supply options assessment for each basin in region



Water Supply Availability

■ *Physical supply*

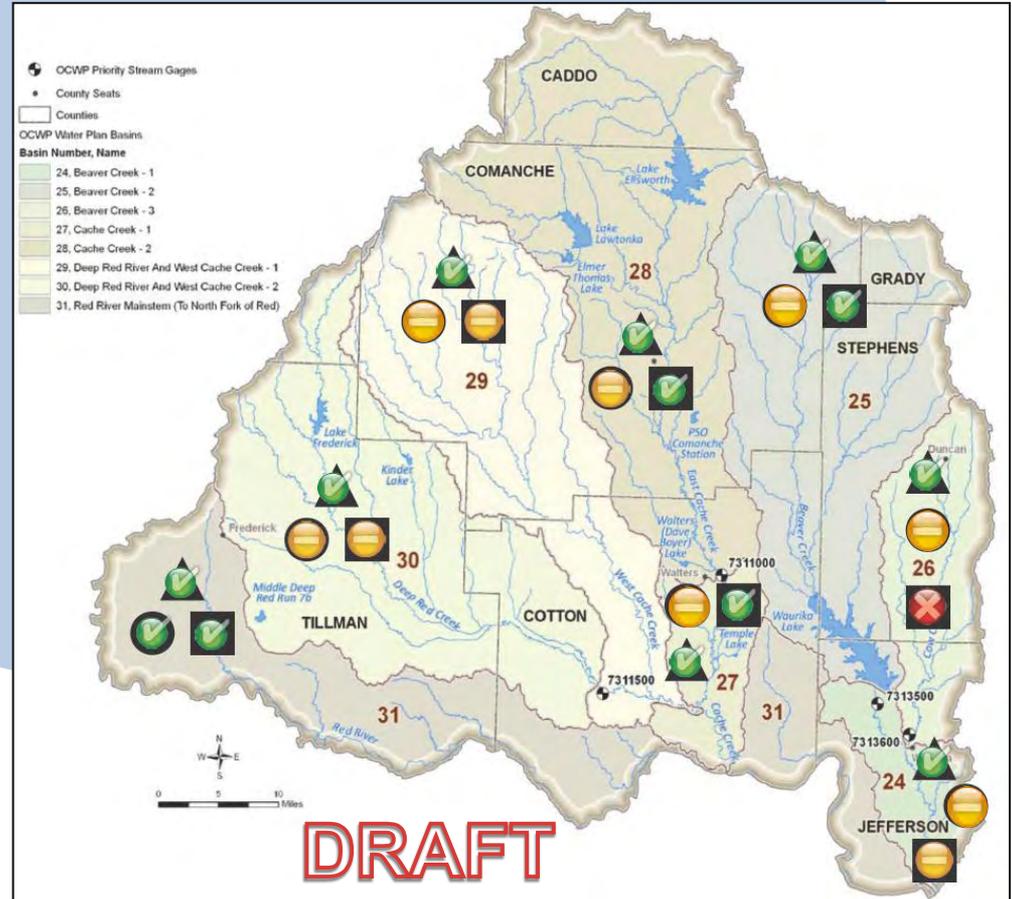
▲ *Permitting*

● *Water Quality*

✔ *Not constraining*

⚠ *May constrain use*

✘ *Likely constraint*



Effectiveness of Alternate Supply Options



Demand Reduction



Increased Groundwater Use



Increased Surface Water Use



Reservoir Storage



Out-of-Basin Supplies



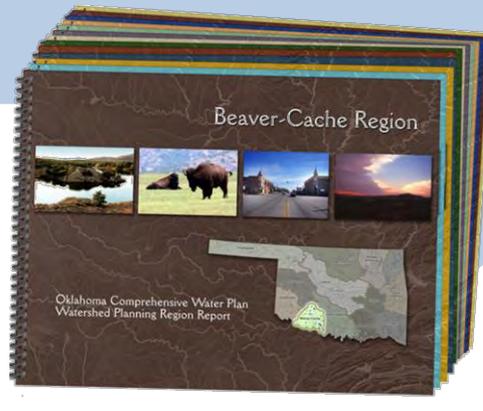
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- Surface water & groundwater resources
- Permit availability
- Water quality trends



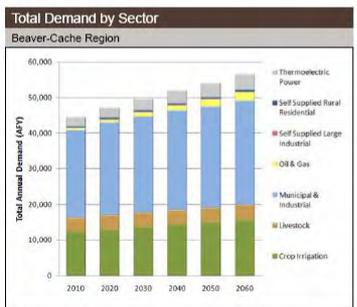
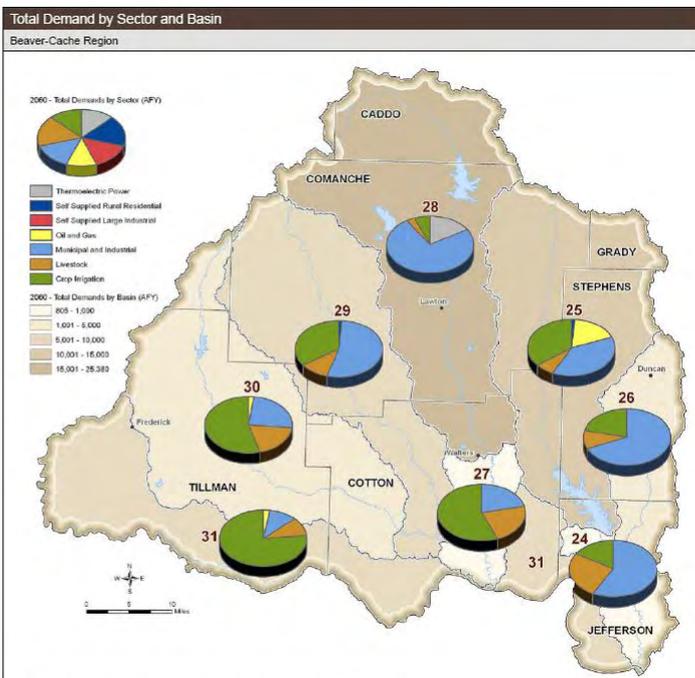
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- Demand by basin, sector, and decade
- Public supply provider details
 - *Population*
 - *Demand*
 - *Interconnects*
 - *Permits*
 - *Infrastructure plans*
- Water supply options assessment by basin

Demand

"Demand" is a term describing the amount of water used to meet the needs of people, communities, industry, agriculture, and other users. For the OCWP update, demands have been projected from 2010 to 2060 in ten-year increments for seven distinct water user types or "sectors." Demand projections are based on standard methods using data specific to each sector and each OCWP basin, augmented by stakeholder input. These projections were initially developed for each county in the state, and then allocated to each of the 82 OCWP basins.

Growth in water demand often corresponds to growth in population, agriculture, industry, or other economic activity. Future demands were projected independent of available supply, water quality, or infrastructure considerations. Demand sectors are projected to experience different growth rates, resulting in higher projected use of specific water



Public Water Provider Forecast Demand

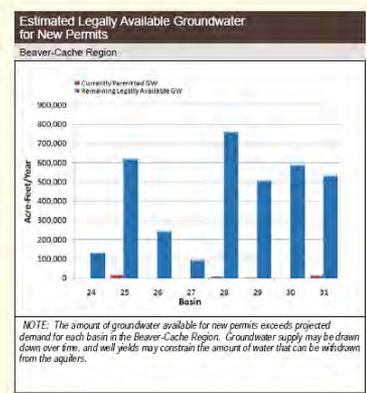
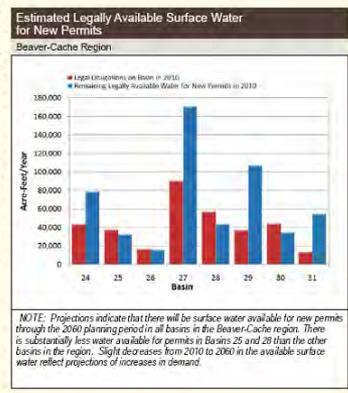
Beaver-Cache Region

| SDWS ID | Provider | County | Retail Demand Including System Loss | | | | | | | Total Demand Including Retail, System Losses, and Sales | | | | | | |
|-----------|-------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--|--|
| | | | (AFY) | | | | | | | (AFY) | | | | | | |
| | | | 2010 | 2020 | 2030 | 2040 | 2050 | 2060 | 2010 | 2020 | 2030 | 2040 | 2050 | 2060 | | |
| OC2009085 | Apache | Caddo | 200 | 210 | 216 | 222 | 230 | 236 | 202 | 210 | 216 | 222 | 230 | 236 | | |
| OC2001607 | Cache | Comanche | 474 | 505 | 533 | 555 | 572 | 585 | 474 | 505 | 533 | 555 | 572 | 585 | | |
| OC2001608 | Chattanooga PWS | Comanche | 37 | 41 | 42 | 44 | 46 | 46 | 37 | 41 | 42 | 44 | 46 | 46 | | |
| OC2001602 | Comanche Co RWD #1 | Comanche | 572 | 611 | 644 | 670 | 690 | 707 | 572 | 611 | 644 | 670 | 690 | 707 | | |
| OC2001604 | Comanche Co RWD #2 | Comanche | 162 | 173 | 182 | 190 | 196 | 200 | 162 | 173 | 182 | 190 | 196 | 200 | | |
| OC2001605 | Comanche Co RWD #3 | Comanche | 117 | 125 | 132 | 137 | 141 | 145 | 117 | 125 | 132 | 137 | 141 | 145 | | |
| OC2001604 | Comanche Co RWD #4 | Comanche | 435 | 464 | 490 | 509 | 525 | 538 | 435 | 464 | 490 | 525 | 538 | 571 | | |
| OC2001101 | Comanche Public Works | Stephens | 482 | 485 | 491 | 497 | 504 | 516 | 608 | 611 | 617 | 623 | 629 | 642 | | |
| OC2001702 | Cotton Co RWD #1 | Cotton | 73 | 74 | 75 | 76 | 78 | 79 | 73 | 74 | 75 | 76 | 78 | 79 | | |
| OC2001702 | Cotton Co RWD #2 | Cotton | 254 | 258 | 261 | 265 | 273 | 277 | 254 | 258 | 261 | 265 | 273 | 277 | | |
| OC2007104 | Davidson | Tillman | 81 | 83 | 85 | 87 | 89 | 91 | 81 | 83 | 85 | 87 | 89 | 91 | | |
| OC2001701 | Devot | Cotton | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 19 | 19 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 19 | 19 | | |
| OC2001610 | Egan PWS | Comanche | 170 | 182 | 191 | 199 | 204 | 209 | 170 | 182 | 191 | 199 | 204 | 209 | | |
| OC2001675 | Faxon | Comanche | 28 | 28 | 30 | 32 | 32 | 34 | 26 | 28 | 30 | 32 | 32 | 34 | | |
| OC2001612 | Fletcher | Comanche | 119 | 127 | 134 | 140 | 144 | 147 | 119 | 127 | 134 | 140 | 144 | 147 | | |
| OC2001401 | Frederick | Tillman | 1,456 | 1,488 | 1,520 | 1,551 | 1,583 | 1,631 | 1,732 | 1,764 | 1,796 | 1,828 | 1,859 | 1,907 | | |
| OC2001680 | Germino | Comanche | 191 | 204 | 215 | 224 | 230 | 235 | 191 | 204 | 215 | 224 | 230 | 235 | | |
| OC2007103 | Goodfield | Tillman | 179 | 182 | 187 | 191 | 196 | 200 | 258 | 262 | 266 | 270 | 275 | 279 | | |
| OC2007102 | Hollieter | Tillman | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | 13 | | |
| OC2001609 | Idolahoma | Comanche | 23 | 24 | 26 | 27 | 27 | 28 | 60 | 61 | 62 | 64 | 64 | 65 | | |
| OC2003401 | Jefferson Co. Cons RWD #1 | Jefferson | 437 | 444 | 451 | 458 | 471 | 484 | 437 | 444 | 451 | 458 | 471 | 484 | | |
| OC2001103 | Lawton | Comanche | 23,461 | 24,033 | 25,190 | 26,089 | 26,796 | 27,373 | 25,318 | 26,890 | 28,047 | 28,947 | 29,653 | 30,231 | | |
| OC2007101 | Manitou | Tillman | 63 | 63 | 65 | 67 | 67 | 69 | 63 | 63 | 65 | 67 | 67 | 69 | | |
| OC2001603 | Medicine Park | Comanche | 51 | 55 | 58 | 60 | 61 | 63 | 51 | 55 | 58 | 60 | 61 | 63 | | |
| OC2003405 | Ryan | Jefferson | 151 | 153 | 154 | 156 | 161 | 166 | 151 | 153 | 154 | 156 | 161 | 166 | | |
| OC2000905 | Stephens Co RWD #3 (Meridian) | Stephens | 134 | 136 | 137 | 139 | 141 | 144 | 136 | 138 | 139 | 141 | 143 | 145 | | |
| OC2001601 | Sterling Pwa | Comanche | 92 | 97 | 103 | 107 | 111 | 113 | 92 | 97 | 103 | 107 | 111 | 113 | | |
| OC2001306 | Temple | Cotton | 126 | 128 | 131 | 133 | 136 | 138 | 126 | 128 | 131 | 133 | 136 | 138 | | |
| OC2007107 | Tillman Co RWD #1 | Tillman | 164 | 167 | 171 | 174 | 177 | 183 | 180 | 183 | 187 | 190 | 194 | 199 | | |
| OC2001305 | Walters | Cotton | 332 | 337 | 342 | 347 | 357 | 362 | 334 | 339 | 344 | 349 | 359 | 364 | | |
| OC2001201 | Warner Public Works Authority | Jefferson | 728 | 739 | 751 | 762 | 785 | 808 | 1,351 | 1,362 | 1,374 | 1,385 | 1,408 | 1,431 | | |
| TOTAL | | | 29,821 | 31,846 | 33,037 | 34,140 | 35,055 | 35,840 | 33,973 | 35,698 | 37,089 | 38,191 | 39,107 | 39,893 | | |

Availability of Water

er is governed by different legal principals in Oklahoma. to be publically-owned and subject to appropriation by d for both groundwater withdrawals and surface water dewater is a property right in Oklahoma. Surface water d prior appropriation doctrine, with the exception of it can be summed up as "First in Time, First in Right", shortage occurs, the diverter with the older permit (first

has been set to assure all property owners have equal share to the aquifer's water. The withdrawal amount varies from 1 acre-foot per year per acre to 2 acre-feet per year per acre in the Beaver-Cache Region. If a detail study has not been conducted a provisional or temporary permit is issued, which allows withdrawals up to 2 acre-feet per year per acre. The withdrawal amount of provisional permits may be adjusted based on the results of a detailed study. A groundwater permit only grants the right to withdrawal water; it does not assure the well yield.



Groundwater Resources

Major bedrock groundwater aquifers are available in the northern portion of the Beaver-Cache planning region, from the Arbuckle-Timbered Hills and Rush Springs aquifers. Major alluvial groundwater aquifers are available in the south portion of the planning region, from the Red River and Tillman Terrace aquifers.

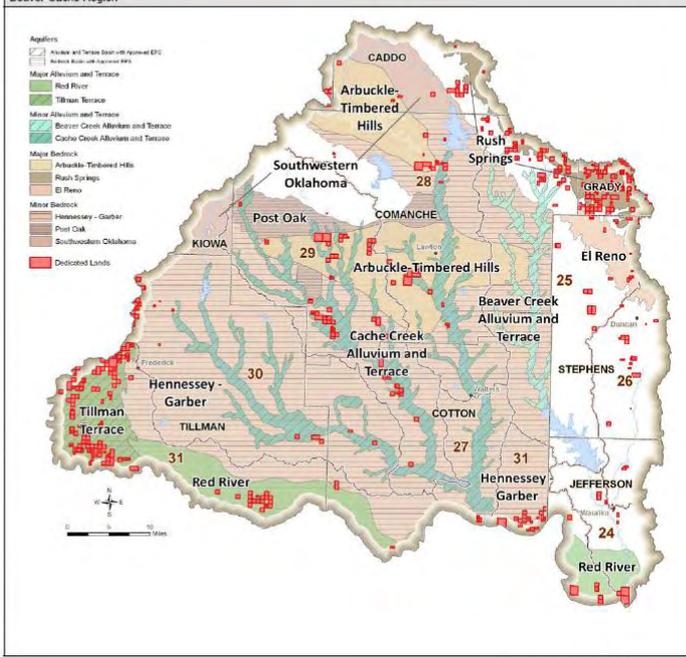
The Arbuckle-Timbered Hills aquifer consists predominantly of carbonate formation (limestone and dolomite). The aquifer occurs in two areas: in the Limestone Hills north of the Wichita Mountains and in the Cache-Lawton area south of the Wichita Mountains. Availability of groundwater in the Limestone Hills is erratic because of faulting and folding. Most wells are 500 feet deep or more. Wells and springs yield as much as 100 GPM. In the Cache-Lawton area, well depths range from 350 to more than 2,000 feet, and yields up to 600 GPM have been reported. Because fluoride concentrations generally exceed the drinking water standard, use for public water supply is limited. This aquifer underlies portions of Basins 25, 28 and 29.

The Rush Springs Sandstone is a fine-grained sandstone aquifer with some shale, dolomite, and gypsum. Thickness of the formation ranges from 200 to 300 feet. Well yield is normally between 200 and 600 GPM. The water tends to be of a calcium bicarbonate type and is very hard. This aquifer underlies portions of Basins 25 and 26.

water for cipal, domestic irrigation uses. The tion averages in thickness and wells into this formation produce 200 to 500 GPM. The water is hard to very hard with the water generally calcium magnesium bicarbonate type. The Red River bedrock aquifer partially supplies Basins 24 and 31. The Tillman Terrace aquifer underlies portions of Basin 31.

Minor bedrock aquifers in the region include the El Reno, Post Oak, Southwestern Oklahoma, and Hennessey-Garber aquifers. Minor alluvial aquifers include the Beaver Creek and Cache-Creek Alluvium and Terrace deposits. Minor aquifers, such as the Hennessey-Garber and Post Oak, may have a significant amount of water in storage and high recharge rates, but has low yields, generally less than 50 GPM. Groundwater

Bedrock and Alluvial Aquifers



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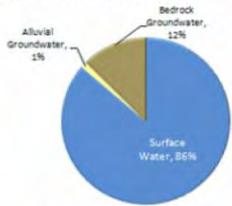


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- Summary of supply challenges
- Map & summary of supplies
- Demand by sector & decade

- Potential for supply shortages
- Water supply options & effectiveness
- Constraining factors
 - *Physical supply*
 - *Permits*
 - *Water quality*

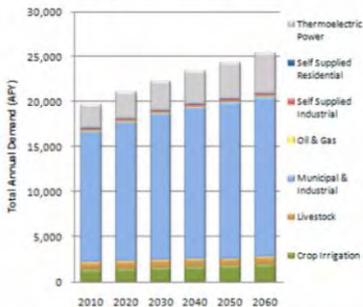
Supply Sources Used to Meet Current Demand (2010)



Water Demand

Basin 28 (Cache Creek-2) makes up 44% of the projected water demand in the Beaver-Cache Watershed Planning Region. The projected 2060 water demand of 25,400 AFY in Basin 28 reflects a 5,800 AFY increase (30%) over the 2010 demand (28-4).

Total Demand by Water Use Sector



BC-31 Beaver-Cache Watershed Planning Region, Basin 28 Summary

About two thirds of the demand is in the Municipal & Industrial use sector, with the most significant demands in the Lawton area. Thermoelectric Power is the second-largest water use sector at 13% of the total basin demand (28-4). Demands peak in Municipal & Industrial and Crop Irrigation sectors (28-6).

Potential Future Shortages

On a basin scale, surface water supplies are expected to be adequate for in-basin surface water demand through 2060. This is due to the significant storage in Lakes Lawtonka and Ellsworth. However, localized shortages may occur, and the infrastructure that would be needed to utilize these

reservoirs for demand may not be cost-effective. bedrock groundwater rates in summer and (28-7), but those rates are insignificant relative to aquifer storage volume.

Supply Options

- Many water users heavily on existing major reservoirs
- New small reservoirs alternative to existing major reservoirs do not have major reservoirs
- The use of major reservoirs an effective alternative
- Increasing surface water potential depletions (28-9)



A 5% reduction in demand via water conservation measures or emergency demand management practices could mitigate the potential for seasonal groundwater drawdown (28-9).



New out-of-basin supplies could also mitigate these conditions, but are less attractive given the availability of in-basin resources (28-9).

Basin 28 Summary

- Streamflow and existing reservoirs in this basin provide reliable surface water supplies; no surface water gaps are expected
- Small alluvial and bedrock groundwater storage depletions may occur by 2060.
- Water quality is a potential concern for both surface water and groundwater supplies

- Many water users will continue to rely heavily on existing major reservoirs
- New small reservoirs or the use of major groundwater aquifers are an effective alternative to meet the demand of users that do not have access to supplies from existing major reservoirs.
- Potential groundwater depletions could be mitigated by conservation or through increased use of surface water supplies.

Water Supply

Basin 28 features significant water supply availability in terms of physical supplies and availability of water for new permits, but water quality could affect the use of some supplies. Surface water is used to satisfy about 86% of current demand in the basin (28-4). Cache Creek, the largest stream in the basin, typically has peak flows in the spring and early summer, but has also historically seen periods of prolonged low streamflow (28-2). This underscores the importance of reservoir storage for surface water supply reliability in the basin. Streamflow is regulated in part by the City of Lawton's two large water supply reservoirs, Lakes Lawtonka and Ellsworth with a combined dependable yield of 47,000 AFY (BC-6).

Several major and minor groundwater aquifers also form an important component of the basin's water resources. Minor aquifers provide lower yields and may therefore have limited ability to meet water demand of high volume users (28-3). The use of surface water and groundwater to meet in-basin demand is not expected to be constrained by the availability of permits for new water diversions through 2060 (BC-8).



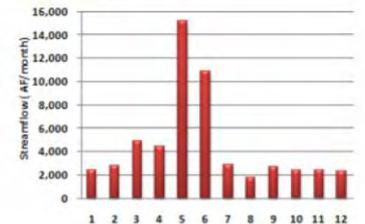
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Water Supply Availability

- Physical Availability
- Water Available for New Permits
- Water Quality

Water quality issues include impairment designations for several streams and lakes, including the listing of Lake Lawtonka as impaired for Public and Private Water Supply Use due to elevated levels of Chlorophyll-a (BC-9). Surface water quality data in several streams and lakes in the basin suggest an upward trend in conductivity (BC-12). Fluoride concentrations and brackish salinity levels in the Arbuckle-Timbered Hills bedrock aquifer, the largest and most widespread aquifer, may limit the use of groundwater for most users (BC-7).

Median Historical Streamflow at the Basin Outlet



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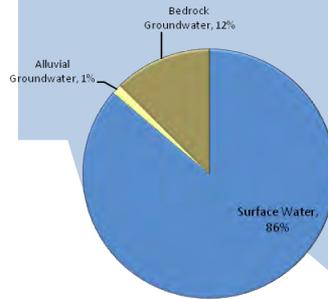
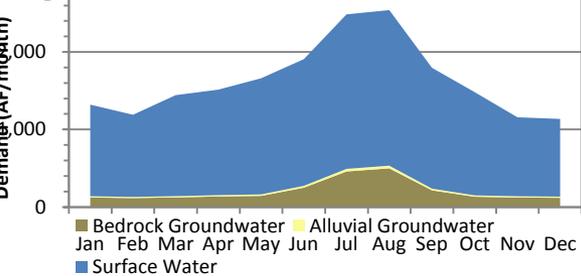
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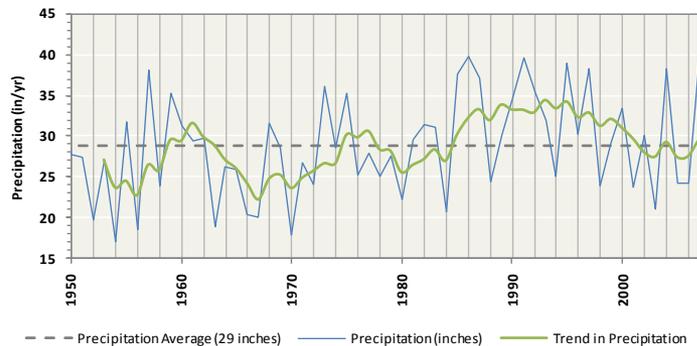
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Beaver-Cache Watershed Planning Region, Basin 28

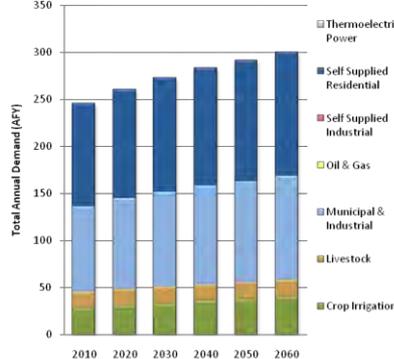


Historical Precipitation

Beaver-Cache Watershed Planning Region, Basin 28



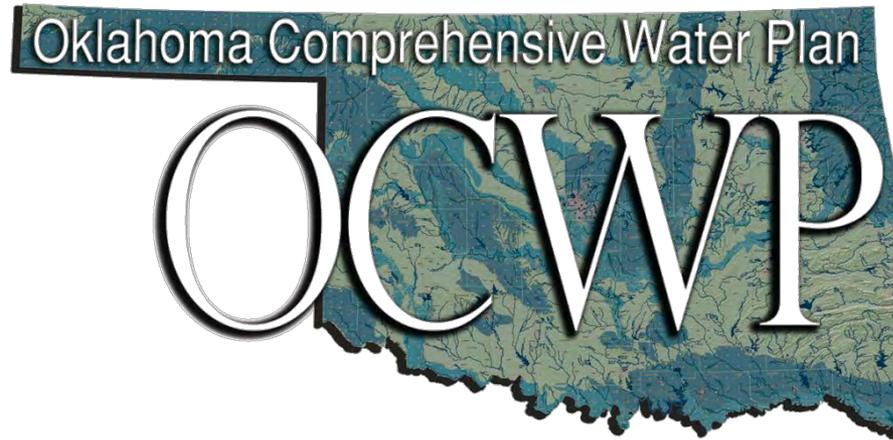
Alluvial Groundwater Demand by Water Use Beaver-Cache Watershed Planning Region, Basin 28



Magnitude and Probability of Annual Gaps and Beaver-Cache Watershed Planning Region, Basin 28

| Planning Horizon | Maximum Gaps/Storage Depletions | | |
|------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|---------------------|
| | Surface Water | Alluvial Groundwater | Bedrock Groundwater |
| 2020 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2030 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2040 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2050 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2060 | 0 | 10 | 10 |

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WaterSMART Grant: Climate Change Analyses



- Grant award announced August 2010
- New partnership to leverage resources & expertise
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 - *Oklahoma Water Resources Board*
 - *Oklahoma Climatological Survey*
 - *CDM*
- Integrate climate change effects (supplies and evaporation) directly into Reservoir Yield Model
- Bring national level research to the practitioner's level with access to tools and data

Work in Progress & Upcoming

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- Major supply challenges – statewide assessment of “hot spots”
- Climate change (Supply & Demand)
- Conservation potential (M&I & Crop Irrigation)
- Conjunctive management report: Practices employed in other states



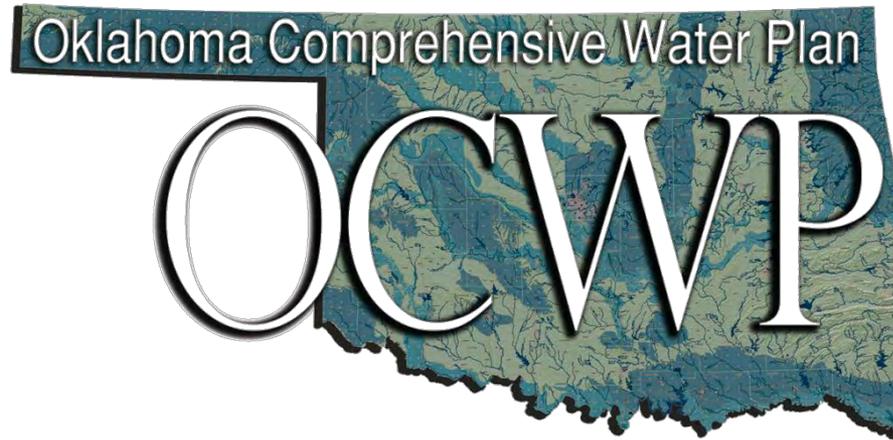
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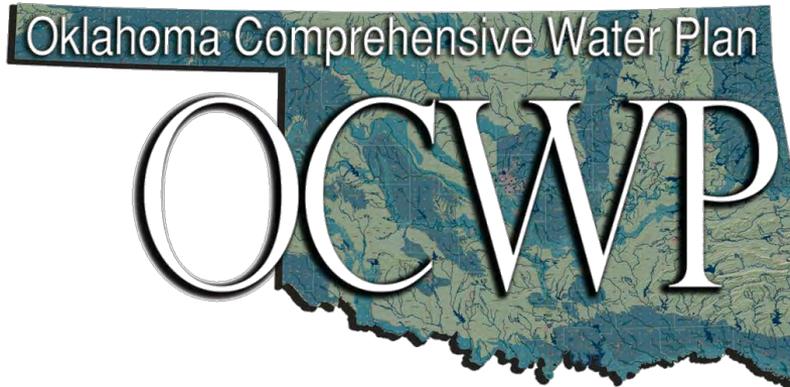
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- Physical Supply Availability Report –
Baseline, Climate Change, and Conservation
- Drinking water and wastewater
infrastructure cost projections
- Watershed Planning Region Reports & Basin Technical
Appendices
- Provider Planning Guide
 - *Supply planning roadmap*
 - *Criteria for evaluating supply options*
 - *Guide to OCWP resources to support decision-making*



- **New model for local-state-federal partnerships**
- **Watershed and regional approach**
- **Technical information in multiple levels of detail**
- **Information to support informed decision-making, policies, and local water planning**



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